(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, whether Government have put in place the organizational structure to implement such a doctrine; if so, what are the elements of such a structure;

(d) whether any institutional mechanism beyond the periodic meetings among the police chiefs of the affected States, has been evolved to involve the State police force in executing the anti-insurgency doctrine; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) As per the request of the State Governments, Central security forces are deployed in the States to assist the local administration in maintenance of public peace and order. The Government has evolved a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for short-term and long-term deployment of Central Para-Military Forces (CPMFs) in the States.

(c) to (e) The SOP provides for consultations between concerned State/ District authorities and the Force commanders of CPMFs. It also provides for monthly joint audit of deployment and performance of CPMFs, to be conducted by the IG of CPMFs and IG/DIG in-charge of operations of the State; weekly intelligence meetings are also to be held at the level of District SPs and commanders of the CPMFs.

Women's battalion in BSF

809. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for the first time BSF has decided to raise a women's battalion, with seven companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the new battalion is going to have new cadre or is going to be selected from the existing personnel; and

(d) what would be the main duties and responsibilities of this battalion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRISRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) The Government has allowed BSF to recruit women personnel against the normal vacancies to form a few Coys on experimental basis and to allocate duties as per the operational requirement.

Recruitment drive of ULFA for foreign nationals

†810. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the banned terrorist organization 'ULFA has taken up **a** special recruitment drive for foreign nationals;

(b) whether it is also a fact that recent bomb blasts in Assam have been the fall-out thereof;

(c) if so, whether Government have taken any steps to stop cross-border infiltrations and to check ULFA; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) There is no specific report regarding recruitment of foreign nationals in their cadres by United Liberation Front of Asom (ULFA).

(c) and (d) The Government has taken various measures to control cross-border infiltration, which *inter alia* include accelerated programme of construction border roads and border fencing, strengthening of border security force for deployment on borders and equipping them with modern and sophisticated equipments/gadgets, reduction of gaps between border outposts, intensification of patrolling, provision of surveillance equipments, etc. Security has been strengthened to check the activities of ULFA.

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811. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the report of the Task Force on Internal Security, submitted

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